

# Neighborhood Q&A Meetings

Sqwires Wednesday, January 17 7pm-8pm

Barr Library Meeting Room, Saturday, January 20 10:30am-11:30am

Zoom, Tuesday, January 23 7pm – 8pm

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# Proposal for Lafayette Square Taxing District

# Agenda

Welcome (5 min)

Taxing District – Key information: (20 min)

Q&A (30 min)

Thank You (5 min)



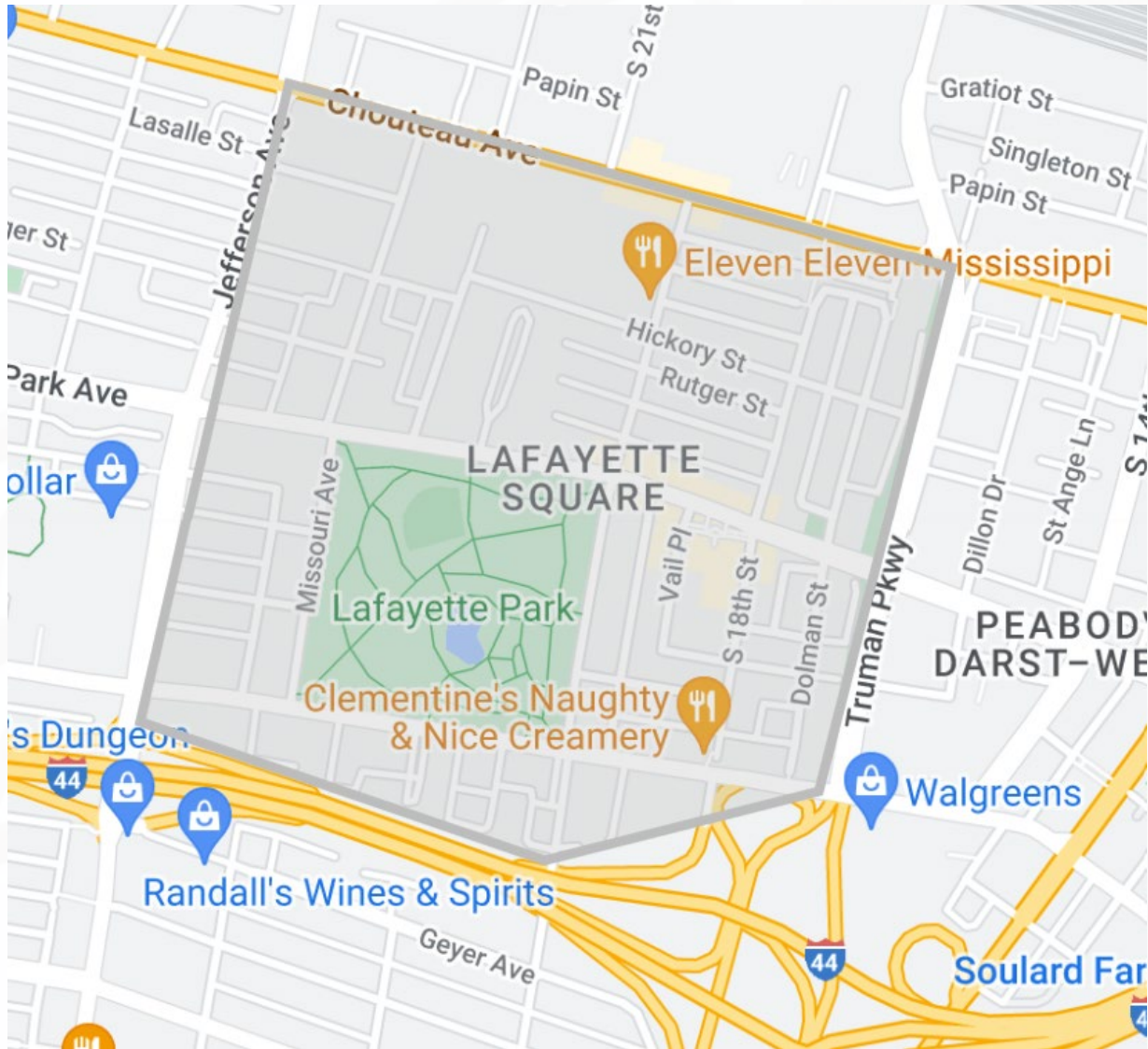
# Our Priority:

- Keep Lafayette Square Safe
- Preserve Historic and Neighborhood Character
- Keep Lafayette Square Clean & Beautiful
- Bring People Together
- Support Livability

# Our Challenge:

- Safety and Livability are ongoing concerns
- Reliance on significant volunteer hours and donations to maintain the neighborhood
- City led investment into improving/maintaining our neighborhood has dwindled
- Large “capital intensive” projects have lagged or been deferred

# Lafayette Square Taxing District Boundary



# Steering Lafayette Square

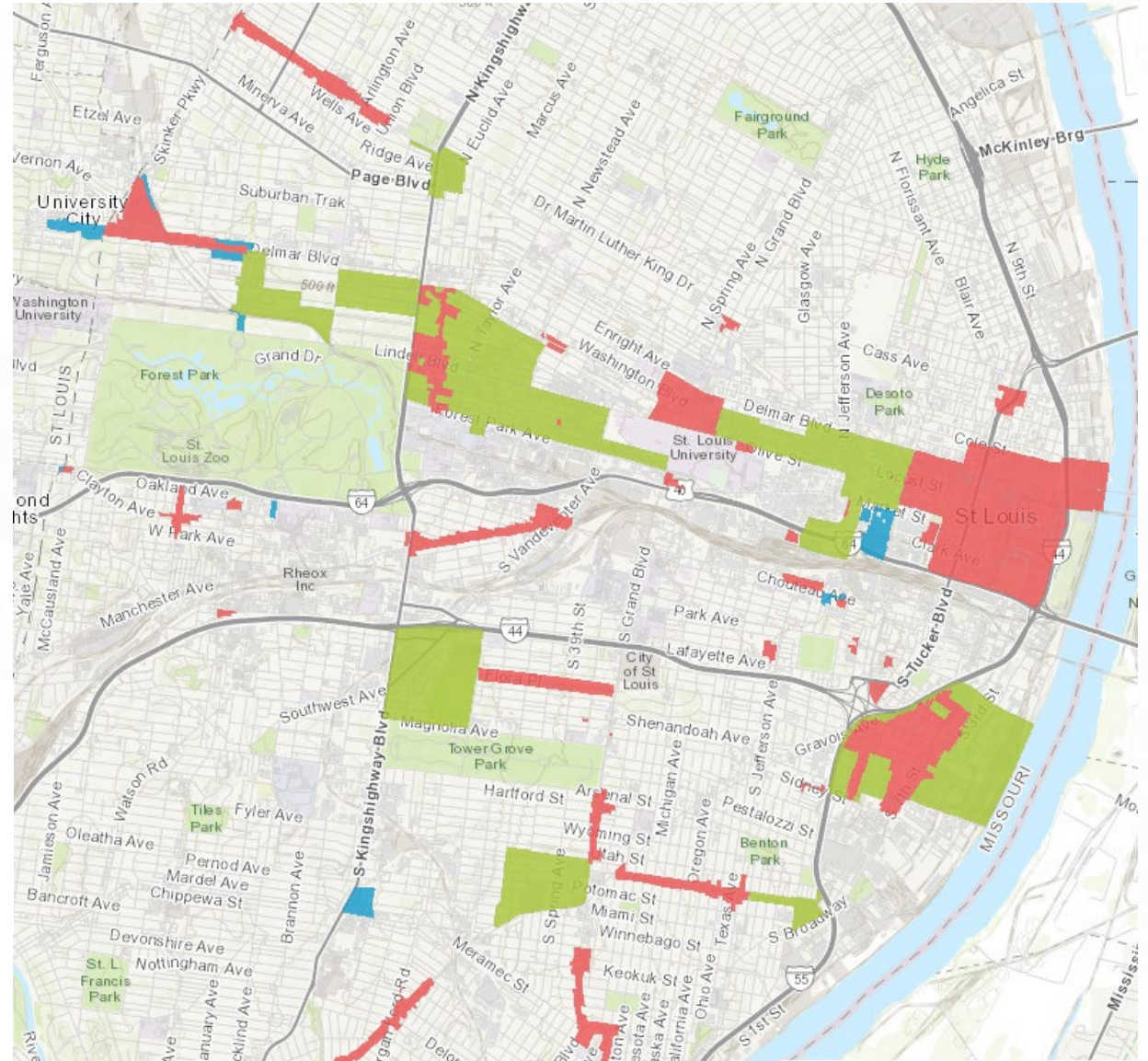
In Partnership with Park Central Development

Karen Boulware	Michael Quinn	Tom Murphy	Mitch Hunt
Shaun Swearengen	Rufus Perry	Shelly Perry	Sharon Stockman
April Breeden	Pat Faust	Matt Negri	

# St Louis Taxing Districts

- There are over 130 Special Taxing Districts in St Louis
- Nearby Districts (CID or SBD):
  - Holly Hills
  - Tower Grove South
  - Bevo
  - South Grand
  - 2017 Chouteau
  - Carondelet
  - CWE (CID, 3 SBDs)
  - Cherokee
  - Dutchtown
  - Grove
  - Soulard (CID & SBD)
  - St Louis Hills

Local Taxing Districts





# Timeline

**Plan,  
Dialogue,  
Discuss**

(Jan 23 - Jan  
24)

**Approved  
Board of  
Alderman**

(Jan 24-Mar  
24)

**Promote**

(Apr 24 – Jul  
24)

**Special Election**

(Aug 24)

**Activate SBD  
Board**

(Aug 24)

**Funding**

(Dec 24 –  
Jan 25)

# Budget

Budget	
Category	%
Public Safety & Security	30%
Public Infrastructure	30%
Cleaning, Landscaping, Maintenance	19%
Marketing, Promotion, Special events	8%
Administration	13%

Special Business District: Timeframe: 10 years

Governed by Board of Commissioners of Lafayette Square

# Funding

\$750 cap on assessment (excludes 17 Multi Family)  
@ \$0.75 per \$100 assessed value = **\$453,000 annually**

Funding: Homeowners			
Appraised Value	Assessed Value (19%)	\$0.75	# Households
\$250,000	\$47,500	\$ 356	960 below cap
\$500,000	\$95,000	\$713	
\$750,000	\$142,500	\$750	146 at cap

# Election August 6<sup>th</sup>

Vote YES to approve taxing district in Lafayette Square to:

- **Secure our Neighborhood**
- **Improve current Infrastructure**
- **Enhance our greenspace**

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# Questions / Discussion